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## Obert College Commencement.

The twenty-fifth annual Commencement of Obert College, took place on Wednesday, and was in all respects the most interesting and popular of the quarter of a century. As early as 9 a. m., the great church was crowded by three thousand people, and many who arrived after that hour could not obtain a standing place inside. President Finney announced the speakers agreeably to the following:

### ORDER OF EXERCISES.

Obert—Natural prelections of Human

Abertion: GEORGE W. ANDREWS, Linden-

ville.

Obert—Benefits of the Financial Crisis: E.

Heron Barker, Erie, Pa.

Obert—Learning and Labor: W. L. A.

Bemis, Windham, Va.

Obert—Popular Sovereignty: T. S. Brown,

West Point.

Obert—A Congressman's Dream: S. Jay

Beck, Mecca.

Obert—Our National Modesty: ANDREW

W. Chapman, Kelloggville.

Obert—Theories: SAMUEL A. CRAVATH,

Gainesville, N. Y.

Obert—Faith, not Demonstration, the

Rule of Life: J. H. C. Plummer, N. Y.

Obert—The Last Days of Pompeii: L. A. Gray,

Lindholm, N. Y.

Obert—Originality: JAMES M. JOHNSON,

Chester, N. Y.

Obert—The Basis of Law: J. D.

Millard, Cleveland.

Obert—The Benefits of Stupidity: D. L.

Norris, Danville, Iowa.

Obert—National Responsibility: JOHN

Mitchell, Cleveland.

### ASTORIAN EXERCISES.

Obert—England and the United States:

ALEXANDER PARKER, Irvine, Scotland.

Obert—Musical Criticism: SMITH N. P.

Overlin, Overlin.

Obert—A Leaf from the First Record: MAY

RALEY, Hanoverton.

Obert—The Martyr of the Revolution:

PERRY RAYMOND, Cleveland.

Obert—The Dawn of Mental Freedom:

Geo. N. Smith, Grand Traverse Bay, Mich.

Obert—The Nobility of Action: WILLIAM

Teller, Angell, N. Y.

Obert—The Nobility of Thought: Geo. W.

Walker, Waukegan, Ill.

Obert—The Union: J. G. WARREN, Russia.

### THEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT.

Obert—Sociology, versus Christianity:

SMITH NORTON, Shelburne, Me.

Obert—Crises in the History of Nations:

T. BUCKLOW PARKER, Overlin.

The Graduate students acquired themselves with

great credit, and held the close attention of the

immense congregation both forenoon and afternoon.

After the distribution of Diplomas by

President Finney, the second Degree was conferred

on the following candidates:

EDWARD BUCHER, WILLIAM W. FOOT, WILLIAM

F. MILLIKAN, SMITH NORTON, WILLIAM

PARKER (absent), JOHNSON WRIGHT (absent),

ALBERTA BOOTH, MISS ALICE E. MINER (absent),

MISS ROSANNA BALDWIN WALKER.

Benediction was pronounced, when Gov.

Chase was called out and made one of his most

impressive speeches. He was warmly greeted

and applauded throughout. Gov. BROWN, of

Michigan, spoke briefly and to the great acceptance

of the people, and paid a deserved compliment

to the Chief Magistrate of Ohio as well as to

the People's College of the West.

The Music, Vocal and Instrumental was

never exceeded, even on Obert College Commencement

occasions.

After the College exercises a Collation was

served by the Graduating Classes, which was

indeed a "feast of reason and flow of soul."

Brief addresses were made by Prof. THOMAS, one

of the earliest graduates, by Wm. L. PARKER, of

the class of 1858 in greeting to the class of

1898, THOMAS BROWN responded for the class

of 1898, Rev. BUTLER of the class of 1846,

Mr. VAN WAGEN, and Rev. Mr. THOMPSON for

fourteen years a Missionary to Jamaica, also

made exceedingly interesting addresses.

Last evening the Grand Concert took place

under the direction of Prof. Fox, and was in

all respects a grand success.

### Convention in Giddings District.

At a late hour of going to press last evening,

we learned, through the kindness of our fellow

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## Another Frightful Tragedy in Chicago—A Child Murdered by its own Father.

It seems as if all the fiends were really let loose in Chicago. The latest occurrence, which took place on Saturday morning last, in the South Division, is one of a most shocking nature, the murder of a little girl of five years of age by her own father. The following was derived from the Press and Tribune of Monday:

The parties are Bohemians, who arrived in this country some four weeks since. The father, John Nohay, was a carpenter by trade, and sought this city immediately after his arrival in this country, but failed to obtain work, and had been much depressed in spirits.

The family were poor, but not in want, as indicated by the appearance of their apartments, visited by our reporter on Saturday, the room containing a stove and stove furniture, a supply of flour, potatoes, bread, and a stock of whisky in a small keg. From a large chest brought from the old country, the woman, on Saturday afternoon, produced about \$60 in gold coins, which was placed in the keeping of the Coroner.

The family consisted of father, mother, a little girl of seven years named Maudie, and an infant of eighteen months. The latter had been born on Friday night last. The father, aided by a neighbor, went to work on Saturday morning, at a rough bench in the back yard, and with a few rude tools, made a coffin, and the board at the time of his visit, by half trimmed into shape by an axe—the instrument which in place of making a coffin for the little one, was destined to play a part in a fearful tragedy.

About seven o'clock the father went to the apartments occupied by his family. The mother was occupied in the inner apartment, the door closed. In the outer or larger room, used as a living room, were the two children, Maudie, and the infant. What were the steps that led up to the deed, and what followed, can never be fully known, save by the statement of the wretched father. He had with him as he entered the room the axe he had been using, a small, narrow, rough, hand made implement, but very thick at the head, not very unlike the implement known as the post-axe.

The mother heard from the room two heavy blows, or "raps," as she termed them, through the door, and opened the door, and the father was drawing the weapon from the closet skull of his child, the brains of the unfortunate girl being scattered upon the floor and walls. When the mother appeared, there must have been two heavy blows, by one of which, possibly by the head of the axe, the skull was crushed in. The other, given with all force with the edge, caused the fatal vertical cut in the line of the eyebrows, leaving a narrow cleft, from which only with some force, could the axe have been withdrawn.

The mother, paralyzed by this horrible spectacle, and fearing for her own life, drew back into the smaller room, fastening the door, and screaming loudly for help, starting the neighbor with the cry of "Murder!" The wretched mother, dropping her axe, went into the yard, and then started on a run across the prairie.

Policeman William Roberts, attached to the South Police Station, having been directed to the South Division, was attracted to the spot, and seeing Nohay making off, though he then scarcely knew the nature of his offense, pursued and captured him, causing him to return to the scene of the tragedy, where both rooms were filled, as well as the yard and the premises adjoining, with a dense crowd, mainly of the foreign born residents of that vicinity, all of the utmost alarm and excitement. Officer Roberts took Nohay to the station, and then confronted the father with the body of his victim. So short a time had transpired since the tragedy that, as his officer Roberts took the view of the girl in his hands, the faint flickering of the pulse were discernible.

The wretched mother was in a most heart rending state of grief at her desolate home, her two children dead before her, her husband a prisoner, and it is in words that when she was soon after missed, and followed, she was found seeking the lake with the purpose avowed to her countrymen of taking her own life, "for what had she to live for?" she cried, "my children are dead, my husband is a prisoner, and I am alone in this world, I will follow them."

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From the Philadelphia Record, Journal of yesterday.

### Peril of the People Effects of the Late Gen. Persifer F. Smith.

This morning at ten o'clock, the administrative seal of the estate of the late Gen. Persifer F. Smith, was placed in the hands of the executor, Thomas & Sons, South Fourth street. The attendance was very large, and the bidding spirited throughout. Among those present, and who were bidders, were the following: Mr. J. H. Ellwell, Esq., of Warren, was nominated late yesterday afternoon, for Congress, in place of John F. Giddings, on the third ballot.

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## WASHINGTON.

### Remains of the "National Intelligence."

Correspondence of the New York Times.

The politicians are in a little stir about a pretty well authenticated rumor respecting the "National Intelligence." You readers may not know that the time honored Intelligence and its proprietors have for years been doing a business so far as money matters are concerned.

The passage of the State Paper job last winter was intended to help Messrs. Gales and Sexton. But notwithstanding that, they are in difficulties. The firm of Mr. Gales came near being sold at auction recently, but by great exertions, the firm was saved, and the firm is now in a better position than it was some time since.

The only mode of relief has long seemed to be the absolute sale of the Intelligence. But to do this would be like cutting the heart-strings of its owners. Their names and their reputations are bound up in it. But so severe have been their pecuniary difficulties that parties have offered to purchase their journal.

I understand that a prominent American in this city has offered as high as \$100,000 for the entire establishment. The firm has refused to consider the offer—couched of course in polite terms. The gentleman alluded to was backed by Messrs. Crittenden, Humphrey, Marshall, and other distinguished names. The Intelligence does not, but doubtless hope to infuse new life into it, and at any rate make the advocate of the principles of the American party.

There was a report yesterday that Wendell himself wanted to get the paper, not however, desiring to be known as its owner. This would have been a very good thing. The paper is now in the hands of a man who is not only a good business man, but a good citizen. He is a man who is not only a good business man, but a good citizen. He is a man who is not only a good business man, but a good citizen.

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Y. V. A Visit to Professor Morse. Correspondence, Rochester, August 17, 1898. FRIEND DEMOCRAT: A few weeks since I had the pleasure, and I may say the honor, too, of a call upon Professor Samuel F. Morse, of the old Post Road, over which many of your readers have made winter journeys by stage in days of yore.

I do not intend to pass an eulogium upon Mr. Morse, but will only say that he is a man of great energy, and a man of great energy. He is a man of great energy, and a man of great energy. He is a man of great energy, and a man of great energy. He is a man of great energy, and a man of great energy.

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